

**Home Going Celebration  
For the Life and Services  
Of**

*Vernell Lillian McCoy*

Sunrise: August 28, 1918 - Sunset: January 27, 2017



**Service:**

Saturday, February 4, 2017  
Twelve o'clock noon

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**

160 Oakwood Avenue • Orange, New Jersey 07050

**Reverend William M. Freeman, Officiating**

**Minister Christopher Hinton, Eulogist**

## Obituary

**Vernell Lillian McCoy (Aunt Vernell)** was born in Halifax County, South Boston, Virginia on August 28, 1918 to the late William White (Daddy Bill) and the Agnes Nightingale. (Ma White) she was called home to be with the Lord January 27, 2017.

Vernell grew up in Newark, New Jersey with her sisters and brothers. Alphonso White (Ruth), Donald White (Connie), Agnes “Van” Hinton, and Novella Cooper which all preceded her in death. She attended the Newark Public School system through high school. She then took her love of learning to Virginia State College. This is where she met her soul mate, her best friend, her EVERYTHING, the late Allison “Uncle Scott” McCoy.

After college, “Aunt Vernell” decided to come back to Newark and teach to inspire the youth as she was once inspired. She had a passion for the education of the children in her city like no other. She worked as a Physical Education and health teacher for many years.

“Aunt Vernell” was a faithful member of Metropolitan Baptist Church until she joined Union Baptist Church in Orange, New Jersey, with her late husband, where she served until her illness.

“Aunt Vernell” was one of the few people around that had a genuine love for every person she came in contact with. She freely gave of everything she had and especially gave the world to her beloved husband, “Scott”. “Vernell” does not have any biological children but she helped raise every one of her nieces and nephews, most of their friends and anyone that just happened to “stop by their home”.

Aunt Vernell” will be greatly missed but her memory and legacy will never be forgotten. She leaves to cherish in her memory a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews and their friends.

# Order of Service

Prelude ..... Yvonne Holmes  
Call to Worship & Invocation ..... Pastor Freeman  
Opening Hymn ..... “Blessed Assurance” #27  
Scripture Reading  
Old Testament.....Rev. Melvin Frazier  
New Testament.....Deacon Craig Hinton  
Prayer .....Pastor Freeman  
Selection.....“If I Can Help Somebody” Kisha Joyner  
Remarks and Tributes  
Obituary..... Russell White  
Selection.....“It Is Well With My Soul” #189  
Message ..... Rev. Christopher Hinton  
Hymn ..... “I’ll Fly Away” #432  
Recessional ..... Clergy, Family and Friends  
Postlude ..... Yvonne Holmes

**INTERMENT**  
Rosemount Memorial Park  
Elizabeth, New Jersey

*The Family invites you to join them for the repast  
at the church following the interment.*

## *We Want You To Know*

We want you know  
That you've made  
Such a difference in our lives  
With your warmth and kindness  
You have taken us into your house,  
Into your arms,  
And into your life  
With a smile and total acceptance.  
Thank you for your friendship  
And all the times  
When you've listened and understood.  
Thank you for loving us  
As if we were your own.  
Please know how much we love you  
And how much you really  
Mean to us.

## *Acknowledgement*

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in their time of sorrow. May God bless you all.

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